

**Remarks**

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following discussion.

As noted in the pending Office Action, during a telephone conversation with the Examiner on May 5, 2008, the Group I and Species I Claims were provisionally elected with traverse. Claims 4 and 12 were thus withdrawn by the Examiner from consideration. Applicant hereby affirms the election, and Claim 12 has now been cancelled.

In the Office Action, Claim 11 was indicated to be allowable. By this Amendment, Claim 1 has been modified to include the limitation found in original Claim 11, and Claim 11 has been cancelled. Of course, support for the amendment can be found in the original claims, and no new matter has been added.

Claim 1, as amended, is allowable as indicated by the Examiner. Applicant therefore respectfully requests then that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of Claim 1. Moreover, Claims 2, 3, 5-10, 13 all depend from Claim 1. Thus, each is patentable at least because of its dependency from a patentable base claim. Furthermore, as Claim 4, the Species II claim, depends from allowable Claim 1, this claim should no longer be withdrawn (See, for example, MPEP §809.02(c)).

In view of the foregoing remarks, favorable reconsideration of the present application and the passing of this case to issue with all claims allowed are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any aspect of this application, the

applicant's attorney suggests a telephone interview in order to expedite the prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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